### Continuing Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting Minutes September 21, 2022- Hybrid Meeting 9:00 AM - 11:58 AM

**CAC Attendees:** Jen Stratton, Laura Villareal, Amy Litzinger, Susan Nichols, Teresa Bronsky, JoAnn Wofford, Shemica S. Allen, April Estrada, Barbie Ezell, Aaron Bangor, Diana Nelson, Claudia Cavazos

**CAC Absentees:** Agatha Thibodeaux

**Texas Education Agency:** Stephanie Koch, Justin Porter, Jacob Klett, Dana Garza, Elizabeth Danner, Julia Schacherl

#### 9:00 Welcome and Opening-Jen Stratton, CAC Chair

Quorum was reached at 9:00, Jen Stratton opened the meeting and reviewed meeting guidelines, and agenda for the day. Quorum was present.

• Introduction of new member

## Presentation by Justin Porter TEA, State Director of Special Education Update OSEP corrective action.

- Updates to dyslexia handbook guidance related to discipline has not had any significant changes.
- Ongoing discussions of informal removals related to suspensions and its impacts on attendance.

Texas Commission of Special Education Funding

- Discussion of Modeling being based on tiered service intensity levels, weighted funding based on ADA, reimbursements to LEAs.
  - https://tea.texas.gov/finance-and-grants/state-funding/additional-financeresources/texas-commission-on-special-educationfunding#:~:text=House%20Bill%201525%2C%2087th%20Texas,related%20to% 20special%20education%20funding teacher.
- Instructional Resources to Support Students with Disabilities
  - Theory of Action with HQIM (High Quality Instruction Materials)
- Assistive Technology
  - The Texas 4 Step Model Considering Assistive Technology in the IEP Process https://spedsupport.tea.texas.gov/

 Free Professional Development available from Assistive Technology Industry Association (ATIA) through free webinars.

Link: <a href="https://www.atia.org/texas-online-course-subscription-webpage/">https://www.atia.org/texas-online-course-subscription-webpage/</a>

Teacher Preparation Requirements

- HB 159 effective Sept. 1, 2022

   relating to improving training and staff
  development for primary and secondary educators to enable them to more
  effectively serve all students.
- Systemwide Inclusion Framework (SWIFT) for Districts
  - Strategic Integration Liaisons 2 year pilot in Region 20, San Antonio and Region 19, El Paso

### Presentation by Elizabeth Danner TEA, State Transition Coordinator

Transition Planning and Data Pertaining to Post Graduation Transition, Implementation, and Success

- Texas Transition Employment Guide for Students with Disabilities
  - o www.texastransition.org
- State Performance Plan Indicators Indicator 14 Post School Outcomes
  - o <a href="https://tea.texas.gov/academics/special-student-populations/review-and-support/post-school-outcomes">https://tea.texas.gov/academics/special-student-populations/review-and-support/post-school-outcomes</a>

# Presentation by Julia Schaherl TEA, Director of Strategic Projects, Office of Information Technology

Long Range Plan for Technology: Equitable Access Strategic Goals

• Update and Revise the Long-Range Plan Document